

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF MARTIN GAS, INC.)
FOR AN ADJUSTMENT OF RATES) CASE NO. 9291

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Martin Gas, Inc. shall file an original and 12 copies of the following information with this Commission, with a copy to all parties of record, by April 24, 1985, or within 2 weeks after the filing of the application, whichever is later. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to insure that it is legible. Where information requested herein has been provided along with the original application, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request. When applicable, the information requested herein should be provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations, separately. If neither

the requested information nor a motion for an extension of time is filed by the stated date, the case may be dismissed.

1. In reference to the cash-flow exhibit contained in the prefiled testimony of C. A. McQuilton, what is the time lag between the service period and the collection period in the cash flow statement?

2. In this same cash-flow statement, what is the time lag between the service period and the disbursement for natural gas purchases?

3. In the projected cash-flow statement, gas purchases as a percentage of cash receipts were for each month from October, 1984, through July, 1985, as follows:

October	75%	March	75%
November	75%	April	76%
December	106%	May	77%
January	81%	June	58%
February	97%	July	64%

a. Could Columbia provide an explanation for the apparent wide variation in the contribution margin after gas purchases, noting in particular the months of December, February, June and July?

4. In the line item Gas Purchases (CKY) immediately below Past Due Invoices, this line item increases by \$3,280. Could Columbia please provide an explanation of this increase?

5. In the line item Operation and Maintenance, the prefiled testimony indicates meter reading, service calls, customer accounting and general accounting labor hours are the budgeted costs for this line item. There is no mention of materials or

supplies expenses. How can Columbia initiate repairs, a maintenance or replacement program (as implied on page 2 of the prefiled testimony) without funds for materials or supplies?

a. Please also provide a breakdown of the Operation and Maintenance to include purchase of supplies and materials if appropriate?

b. If the purchase of materials and supplies is not necessary (such as having a substantial inventory), please provide Columbia's reasoning.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of April, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Richard D. Idman, Jr.
For the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary